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1. The road between T'engch'ung (N 25-01, E 98-29) and Bhamo is under reconstruction.<sup>1</sup> Outside the western gate of T'engch'ung a large food supply dump has been built.
2. The Paoshan (N 25-07, E 99-09)-Shunning (N 24-35, E 99-54) road has been broadened.<sup>2</sup>
3. The road linking Hsingyun (N 25-27, E 100-30) with the province of Sikang has been rebuilt.<sup>3</sup>
4. Bridges along the Hsiakuan (N 25-34, E 100-12)-Lichiang (N 26-51, E 100-15) road have been repaired.

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Comments

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1. Available information includes no references to this road.    
  a new road was being built into Burma from this area, but the projected route was from Paoshan via Yunhsien (N 24-26, E 100-07) to Kunlong on the Salween River. This would be roughly parallel to the T'engch'un-Bhamo road and supposedly connecting with the Pashio-Mandalay road by means of a fair-weather road. It is not unlikely, however, that the Chinese Communists would be working on both routes; both would be of value in any Communist activities in Burma or Thailand, especially in view of the difficulty of east-west communication in the North Burma area.

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2.     100,000 civilian laborers were engaged in building a highway from Paoshan to Kunlung (N 23-25, E 98-40) via Yunhsien, Kengma (N 22-33, E 99-25), and Mengting (N 23-32, E 99-05). The Paoshan-

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- 25X1A Yunhsien lap would probably go through Shunning. According to [redacted] 25X1A  
 25X1 [redacted] 25X1X  
 [redacted] a Paoshan-Yunhsien-Chenk'ang (N 24-07, E 99-25) highway was open  
 to traffic, [redacted] 25X1  
 25X1 [redacted] the road was complete between Paoshan and  
 Chenk'ang. It seems likely that the road exists, and it is quite possible that  
 such an artery would be broadened.
3. The road referred to is probably the Hsiakuan-Lichiang road mentioned in  
 para. 4, which may have been extended back from Hsiakuan to Hsiangyun. In  
 April 1952, [redacted] motor 25X1X  
 25X1X transport could be used between Hsiakuan and Chiench'uan. In May 1952,  
 [redacted] 25X1X  
 [redacted] the Tali-Lichiang section of the road was open; a  
 25X1 [redacted] declared at the same time that this section had been completed  
 25X1 in 1951 and that as of May 1952 the highway was completed from Tali as far  
 as Hsiaweihsia via Chiench'uan, Lichiang, Shihku, Chiaotou, Kutien, and  
 Weihsia. These reports imply that the highway was being built for the first  
 time, while the present report states that it was rebuilt. Possibly the original  
 construction replaced trails or fair-weather roads, which would explain [redacted] 25X1  
 25X1 [redacted] use of the word rebuilt.

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